

DRANK'S RENTAL HOUSE A
413 North Jackson Street
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Sumter County
Georgia

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Location: 413 N. Jackson Street, Americus, Sumter County, Georgia

Significance: Last remaining cottage in a neighborhood of vernacular housing forms c.1912.

Description: The house faces west on North Jackson St. two blocks north of the Central Business District. It is a wooden, one story clapboard with an asymmetrical roof. The wood shake roof is covered with flat-seamed metal roofing. It has gable vents, and eaves with decorative bargeboard. Windows are double hung six over six on the front with arched decorative framing. The entrance has an L shaped front porch with a transom over the front door.

History: W. R. Drane, a retired farmer, bought the land from the wife of Henry Anderson (a black businessman) in August, 1912. The existing structure was demolished and rental properties were built by the Americus Construction Company in 1912. The alley on the south side of the house was cut to provide access to four shotgun houses which were constructed on a lot subdivided for that purpose. The first tenant on record was a black laborer, Louis Simpson, in 1921.

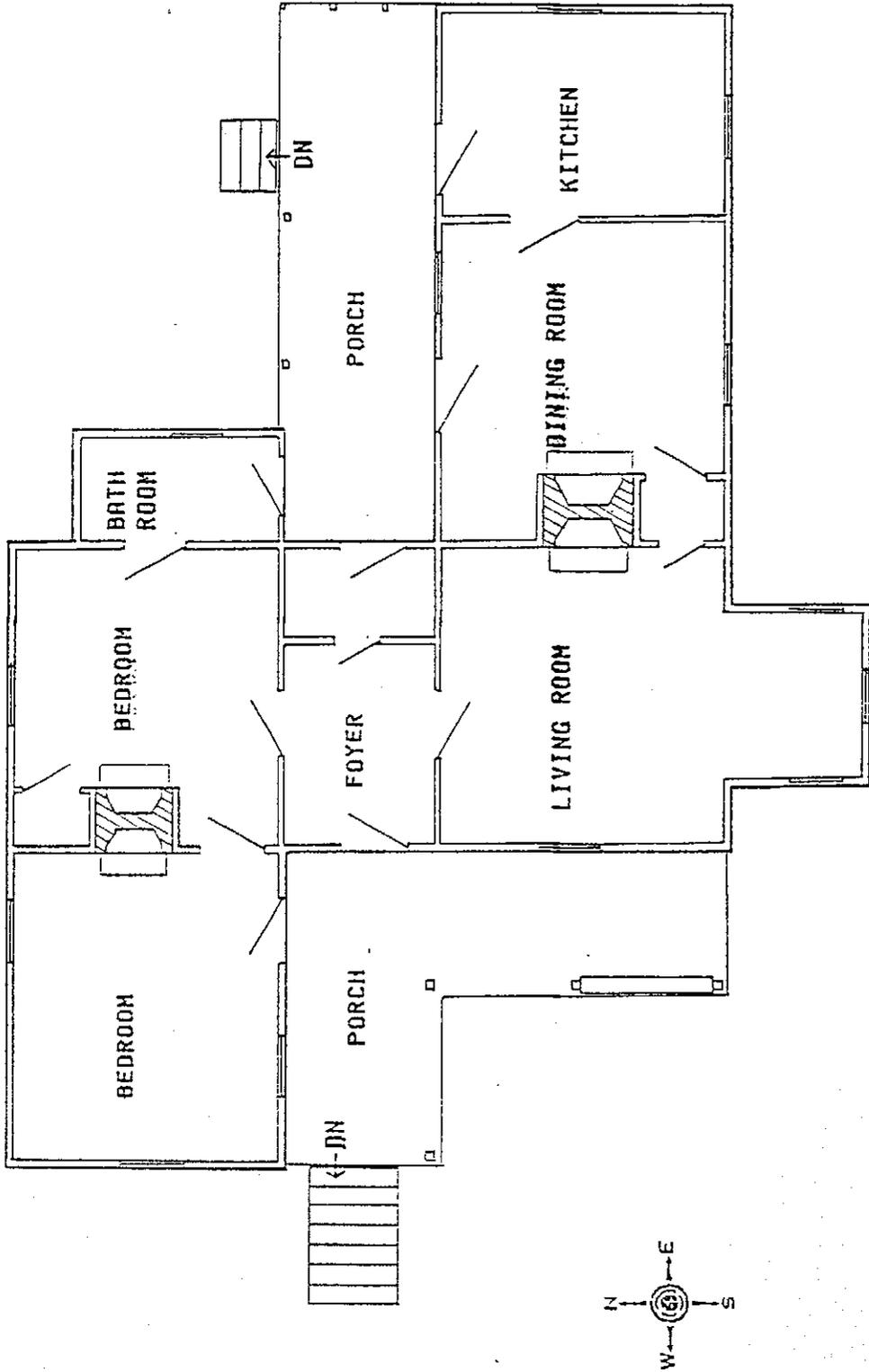
The house is in a Community Development Block Grant Area and will be offered to the public to be moved or demolished.

Sources:

- Sumter County Deeds Record Book (1911,1912)
- Americus Times Recorder Obituary Listings (Feb.13,1939)
- 1921 Americus City Directory
- Sanborn Fire Maps (1905,1912)

Historian:

- Alan Anderson, Sumter Historic Preservation Society Historian and Archivist
- Richard Bradshaw, Intern, City of Americus
- Jo Childers, Main Street Manager, City of Americus



FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

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